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Editor King-VanZandt is Back from Old Virginia

Decatur Citizens Turn Out to See the Man Who Stands Charged with Boyd Bank Swindle

DEPUTY BRANCH HAS SOME INTERESTING EXPERIENCE--VIRGINIA PAPERS COMMENTS

Last Monday night one of the largest crowds ever seen at the local railway station was present to greet VanZandt, or King, the ex-editor of Boyd and Paradise, wanted by the authorities in this county on the charge of swindling the Boyd Continental bank.

Deputy Sheriff John Branch who brought VanZandt out of Virginia, arrived in Fort Worth Monday morning. Word was received in Decatur to this effect and a large crowd went down to the station to meet the morning train, thinking the deputy and his prisoner would arrive. The officer came in on the train but VanZandt was left in Fort Worth where his Bertillon measurement was wanted by the officers there. Sheriff Faith went down Monday morning to accompany the prisoner to Decatur. The afternoon southbound train carried a big delegation from this place and Paradise to see the man, several in the crowd being friends and acquaintances of VanZandt when he was publishing the papers at Paradise and Boyd.

When he was brought from the station by the sheriff and Detective Boyd of the bankers' association and placed in the car, several men in the crowd went up to speak to VanZandt, but he refused to recognize them, saying that they were strangers to him. Some fellow, who doubtless celebrated the capture of the paperman by visiting the Fort Worth grog shops too many times, became a little abusive in his criticism of the prisoner, who was handcuffed. Arriving in Decatur a sea of faces greeted the prisoner and his official escort. After some little difficulty Detective Boyd and the sheriff made a way through the crowd for their man, and boarding a hack, were immediately driven to the jail, where another big crowd had gathered to greet them. After being placed in his cell VanZandt immediately retired and it was late Tuesday morning before he arose from a much needed night's rest.

The experiences of Deputy Sheriff Branch in landing VanZandt in Texas would fill a big space in the Messenger. His trials and tribulations in escorting this much-wanted man from Virginia to Fort Worth will long remain with him and will be of incalculable value to him in his official career.

After arriving in Norton, Va., where VanZandt was being held for him, the officer was compelled to wait several days for the requisition papers which were being held up in Richmond.

Finally clearing up this matter John started with his prisoner for Texas. Arriving in Louisville, Ky., some friend of VanZandt had instituted habeas corpus proceeding in behalf of the prisoner and John was compelled to appear before the Kentucky magistrate and convince him that VanZandt was the man he wanted and was going to take back to Texas, if "he had to carry him out of Louisville on his back." The judge decided our officer knew what he was talking about so the prisoner was remanded to the custody of "the sheriff from Texas."

These proceedings delayed the return home at least half a day, but as soon as a train headed toward Texas John and VanZandt went aboard.

Coming into Fort Worth Monday morning the prisoner was taken to the police station, where his measurement and photo were taken, and as stated, Monday night he arrived here in com-

pany with Detective Boyd and Sheriff Sam Faith, who went to the city to relieve Deputy Branch. VanZandt denies ever being in Texas before and while coming up on the train Monday evening seemed to be interested in the cotton crops along the road, at one time asking Mr. Boyd how the plant was cultivated. Those who say they recognize in the prisoner the wanted Paradise-Boyd editor inform us that he is much thinner than he was when he went away, and that he has shaved clean and dyed his hair. It was noticed that VanZandt has had some trouble with his eyes and they appear to be weak, caused so report has it, by a preparation being administered by a woman companion of the man at Norton to change his appearance in the sight of the officer from here.

At least one hundred people have called at the jail to see the prisoner since his arrival in the city. He appears to be indifferent to the notoriety he has gained. VanZandt has all the appearance of a refined, cultured man; he is well educated, and it is the consensus of opinion the local prison has never held a more fertile brained captive than he is.

Tuesday afternoon the prisoner was given an examining trial before Squire Greer and his bonds placed at \$1,000 each in two cases, forgery and passing forged instruments. Other charges of like character will probably be preferred against him. He failed to make the required bond and was returned to jail.

From Norton, Va., Free Press

Our readers are probably acquainted with the difficulties which prevented issuing of the Norton Daily Press on last Monday afternoon, and the trouble in which Mr. King finds himself.

He was arrested last Saturday afternoon by Sheriff Kiser on a charge of forgeries committed in Texas and Utah, and has since been in jail at Wise awaiting identification. There is scarcely any doubt that he is the man wanted, and that his only object in negotiating with Norton business men regarding a daily paper, was to get what money he could, and break for the "tall timber." But he was not slick enough for that, and finds himself in the clutches of the law, right at the time he expected to be running the daily paper. The Norton Board of Trade is out about \$35, as a result of the experience with King; but as most of this money was paid out for freight, there is a possibility of getting it back. Secretary Walthall is going ahead with the correspondence with other parties who have expressed a desire to engage in the daily newspaper business at Norton, and it is hoped that the right man can be secured before many days.

In the meantime the Norton Free Press will probably be issued weekly, till some definite arrangement can be made for the daily; Prof. C. Y. Chapman acting as editor protem for this issue. "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

From Gate City, Va., Reporter

Norton, Va., June 10.—Norton is minus an editor tonight, one W. E. King, alias W. C. Stone, alias W. Clement Stone, alias H. W. VanZandt and other aliases. He left abruptly on the 2:30 Norfolk & Western train,

accompanied by Sheriff Kiser, of Wise county and one of his deputies.

King, as he was known here, will be held at Coeburn, the home of Sheriff Kiser, awaiting advice from the chief of police at Richmond, from which point came instructions to apprehend him.

King is charged with forging two checks, one on the Murray State bank at Murray, Utah, dated March 23, 1911, and drawn in favor of E. C. Edwards for \$649.72. The other check bears the same date and is drawn on the Continental State Bank, of Boyd, Texas, in favor of the American Type Founders Co., for \$138.57. The signature on the first check could not be deciphered from the fac-simile reproduced on the circular. The other check was signed H. W. VanZandt.

The real name of the man seems to be W. C. Duckworth and has promoted newspaper enterprises in Utah, Wisconsin, California, Texas and Nebraska, and other parts of the country.

He came to Norton from Burlington, Wis., in answer to an advertisement in one of the periodicals by the Norton Board of Trade for an experienced newspaper man to start a daily paper at this place. He made his appearance here about three weeks ago as W. E. King and seemed to be well recommended. He leased the Norton Free Press plant, moved into another building and was preparing to get out the first issue of his daily next Monday afternoon.

Since coming here, he made a trip to Richmond and bought other machinery and material, part of which had arrived and was being used. On returning from this trip he exhibited to Norton business men a receipt for \$2,100 paid to a Richmond printers' supply house on a new outfit. This inspired confidence in the man and the people were delighted with the idea of having a daily paper of their own.

From Wise County, Va., News.

J. M. Branch, of Decatur, Wise county, Texas, arrived in Norton last Thursday night, on the L. & N. and went up to Wise Friday morning where he called at the County Bastile and met and recognized Editor King of the Norton Daily Press, as being H. W. VanZandt, muchly wanted in Wise Co., Texas, for forgery and securing money under false pretenses. Mr. Branch said that VanZandt came to his country some several months ago and went into the paper business at Paradise, and was there but a short time when he was kidnapped by the Board of Trade of Boyd, a rival town of Paradise, and was carried to that place where he immediately launched out into the journalistic arena on a large and boasting scale. He was at Boyd for about a month when he succeeded in "doing" a banker for several hundred "plunks," and "stuck" several others of those who had kidnaped him, for various sums of money. VanZandt will be escorted back to the Lone Star State by Mr. Branch there to be dealt with according to law.

Sheriff Branch is still at Wise awaiting the arrival of requisition papers from the city of Richmond.

VanZandt on Hyprocracy

The following article was found in the effects of Editor VanZandt at Boyd by Sheriff Faith after the editor had departed. Doubtless the article was to have been used as one of the leading editorials in VanZandt's twin publications, the Boyd Call and Paradise American. The article says:

"We have in all these years been taught that it is the duty of the church to lift up humanity. We have always been a contributor to the missionary cause and willingly assisted in an endeavor to help our fellowmen. But, it has recently dawned upon us that we have been misled in these things. We heard men pray for the salvation of souls and saw them shed tears during a recent meeting for souls they imagined were lost—at least such was our interpretation; but when the test came to a reality we find it all false and only an imaginary matter, as the men who prayed the loudest have proven to be only imitation christians; and even while in the pew were hardening their hearts against their fellowmen,

Wesley College to Move Up in this Section of State

Methodist Institution at Terrell Looking for New Location--Decatur in Line to Get the School

OPPORTUNITY IS HERE TO SECURE ANOTHER ONE OF THE BEST SCHOOLS FOR DECATUR

The work of Wesley college was officially closed, so far as Terrell, Texas, is concerned, at a meeting of the clerical members of the board of trustees of the college in session in Dallas yesterday. The body confirmed the action of the local board at Terrell in closing the school there and appointed a committee to receive propositions for a new location somewhere within the North Texas Methodist conference. This committee is composed of Rev. A. L. Andrews, Sherman; J. F. Pierce, Greenville; C. A. Spragins, McKinney. The chairman of the committee, Rev. A. L. Andrews, was authorized to receive bids from towns desiring the college. The fall term of this year will be opened at the new locality, if necessary in temporary quarters. The curriculum of the college is to be raised to make the school a first-class institution of junior standing. The act of the body yesterday took the form of resolutions which were passed, as follows:

"Resolved, 1. That we heartily commend the administration of Rev. S. M. Black as president of Wesley college and learn with pleasure that the attendance of pupils of college grade during the spring term just closed is the largest in the history of the school.

2. Recognizing and fully appre-

instead of following the Golden Rule and the work of the Good Samaritan whom Christ held up as the right things to do.

"When these conditions prevail in a community Christianity is not doing much good. It is to be regretted that when you ask a young man to become a church member that he will say, 'No, I do not wish to be a hypocrite like So-and-So, who has gotten rich by using other people's money,' or 'What? join a church with a man who has done everything not expected of Christians.'

"Now, these things do exist here. It is too bad, and what makes it worse these examples come from men who stand high in church councils. It is the most unchristian example we have ever personally come into contact with and the sooner it is exposed the better it will be for the future of the churches here.

"We have made mistakes and confessed them in open meeting, but the hypocrites did not accept, and instead the old Presbyterian doctrine of the early church has prevailed, viz 'You will be damned if you do, and you will be damned if you don't.' So far as we are personally concerned we never expect salvation through the efforts of our fellowmen and we hesitate about judging them, even after they have shown they do not possess even a semblance of the Christ teaching in their religion. To contribute to the payroll of church expenses and make long, loud prayers is no sign a man is fit to die and meet his Master. If he is, then religion is all a farce and the churches are useless.

"But we do not for a minute hold such belief. Christ was crucified and thousands of his followers have been likewise cast out because of the hypocrites in the churches which are said to represent all that should be good. 'Let him who is without sin cast the first stone,' and the cause of Christ will prosper, but not until then, whether it is in Paradise or in the

depths of Darkest Africa. This little lay sermon is worth reading twice by best of you, and if you will realize yourself as others see you, it may help you to see the reason these are boys and girls and men and women in this community who have excellent reasons for making fun of church members and who are as well off in open sin as the professors of religion are in their secret sins."

3. Feeling that the necessity for continuing this school is imperative, we therefore declare ourselves ready to entertain adequate propositions from eligible locations within the bounds of the conference for the perpetuation of this institution.

4. That A. L. Andrews, J. F. Pierce, C. A. Spragins and S. M. Black be appointed a committee to conduct correspondence and receive bids for the location of Wesley college.

Those present at the meeting which passed these resolutions were M. L. Hamilton, Terrell, president of the board of trustees; D. H. Aston, Terrell; E. W. Alderson, Denison; J. M. Peterson, Dallas; C. A. Spragins, McKinney; J. F. Pierce, Greenville; A. L. Andrews, Sherman; J. E. Roach, Bowie, and S. M. Black, Terrell.

Among the towns which are eligible locations for the college when moved are the following: Greenville, Sherman, Denison, Sulphur Springs, Bonham, Paris, Clarksville, Gainesville, Denton, Decatur, Pilot Point, Dallas, Wichita Falls and Bowie.—Dallas News, June 23.

Club Laws, Etc.

The Messenger has been requested to publish the following constitution of the WeDelve social club:

1—The name of this organization shall be the WeDelve Club.

2—Motto—"Men may come and men may go, but we sew on forever."

3—Colors, pink and green. Flower, carnation.

4—Purpose—Socialibility and the art of sewing.

By-laws—Art. 1—The officers shall be the president, secretary, and press reporter.

2—The club shall meet Tuesday of each week.

3—The name of a candidate for membership must be presented to the club at one of the regular meetings.

Each name shall be voted on separately and the candidate declared elected by a unanimous vote.

4—Each member shall entertain in alphabetical order of her name, or if impossible, she must provide a proxy for same.

5—In case of absence, the member must inform the hostess or be subjected to a fine of ten cents. In case of three successive absences without a reasonable excuse her membership shall be forfeited.

6—Any member failing to comply with the requirements of the by-laws shall forfeit her membership.

7—This club shall be limited to a membership of twenty-two.

8—In case of an extended absence the member may suggest her proxy, who must receive the unanimous vote of the club.

9—The hostess must be informed in case of a visitor.

10—The by-laws may be amended at any meeting by a unanimous vote of those present.

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Problems of the Fireside

The American home is the throne and fountain head of greatness and the destinies of the human race must depend upon the wisdom of the fireside. Politicians may make party platforms; legislatures may pass laws, but the fundamental questions of public importance must be finally settled by the man of toil as he quietly sits by the fireside after the day's work is over.

The Struggle for Power.

The outstanding ambition of the human race today is power. Financiers, with the inventive genius of an Edison, are seeking to associate capital in such a way as to multiply power. Labor, with the mighty trend of a nation marshaling its army, is seeking to arrange its forces so as to increase power. The farmer, with the patient and honest endeavor typical of his occupation, is seeking by organized methods to gain power. Each is endeavoring to combine two or more economic units of their class in such a way as to increase the power of both. The purposes are laudable, but the methods each must employ present problems in which all humanity is involved and they must be finally settled at the fireside.

The Problems Upon Us.

We are well into these problems with capital in the foreground. Numerous solutions have been suggested, but the most primitive one is that of prohibiting by law the extension and multiplication of power through organized effort. This solution is manifestly impracticable. No one would for a moment tolerate a law that would prevent the invention or use of an appliance which would multiply the power of steam or any other potential energy, because perchance it might also increase the danger—in growth the element of danger always increases at the same ratio as other component parts. To destroy or limit power is to strike down progress and return to the dark ages, and is an acknowledgment of our incapacity to cope with human affairs. We must quickly recede from this position or pass rapidly on to government ownership.

To acquire the highest degree of efficiency in civilization, we must develop every pound of energy and power for usefulness there is in all things and multiply this power as many times as human ingenuity can devise, minimizing, as far as possible, the element of danger without weakening the source of power.

The problems in the industrial horizon today are gigantic and their solution awaits the patriotic and careful consideration of men of noble minds and big hearts as they sit by the fireside.

The Demagogue

The passing of the demagogue has marked an important epoch in the progress of Texas. Like the desperado and the cowboy he has had a thrilling and exciting career and like them he has been compelled to give away to the trend of civilization.

He was the product of the times and the harder the times the more perfect the product. A Prince Albert coat, a slouch hat and a strong pair of lungs and he was ready for the hustings to warn the people against the approach of capital. He thrived best upon strife and dissension and his principal occupation was in shrewdly arraying class against class and then leading the stronger against the weaker force. With star defying audacity he would publicly attack the character of a prosperous industry and argue its destruction with all the logic and sincerity of a Pilgrim father pleading for the burning of a witch. He was a mixture of ignorance and genius, and would hunt out prosperous corporations and make their success a springboard on which he could bound into the spotlight by denouncing capital as sapping the life blood of the people and then proceed to argue hypothetically the cause of the down-trodden masses with the earnestness of a starving lawyer pleading his first case. He was a patriot for applause and a politician for revenue and he sought the goal of his desire with the intuition of a gifted criminal and he would track his prey with the instinct of a hungry beast. But he is gone and may his shadow never again darken the threshold of Texas.

Good Roads

A farm with bad roads is worse off than a farm with bad water. It is hard to understand how a farmer, otherwise enterprising, should be backward in building roads. Travel through some of our rural districts and you will find farmers with blooded stock, land highly cultivated and premises well kept and with public highways that bog up an empty wagon six months in the year. Build roads and keep up with the procession.

Liver and Liquor

A good story illustrating this point appeared recently in the American issue. A western miner had been in the habit of buying fifteen cents worth of liquor on Saturday night, after he had spent most of his money for liquor. One night while buying his customary liver he saw the saloonkeeper stalk in and throw down an identical \$5 bill spent with him by the miner and order a roast and and trimmings. That set the miner to thinking, so he put up a job with his fellow miners. They agreed not to buy any liquor for a whole week, and to buy a roast each next Saturday night. When Saturday night came, forty miners went to the butcher shop and cleaned the butcher out by ordering forty roasts for Sunday. While the butcher was doing up the last roast the saloonkeeper came in and said: "Well John, I'll have to take liver this time. Trade is dull. I don't understand it." So the butcher sold him the liver. Then the butcher fell to thinking. "I guess after all," he said to himself, "there is some sense in the prohibition argument, for it is a whole lot more profitable to sell forty roasts and one order of liver, than it is to sell one roast and forty orders of liver."

Wesley College is to be moved from Terrell. Does Decatur want this big Methodist institution? Among the towns which are eligible locations for the college when moved are the following: Greenville, Sherman, Denison, Sulphur Springs, Bonham, Paris, Clarksville, Gainesville, Denton, Decatur, Pilot Point, Dallas, Wichita Falls and Bowie. Let us get busy at once and go after this school. President Lillard of the Board of Trade, call a meeting of the organization and the entire citizenship of Decatur and see what we can do to secure this prize. It is worth our best efforts and the time is limited in which to do the work. No town in this section of the state can offer better inducements than Decatur. Again, let us be up and doing. We need Wesley college. We stand a splendid chance to get it.

This state-wide question is too big to go unnoticed by a citizen; it is of too much pith and moment, and affects the interests of too many people for a candidate for the high and dignified office of district judge to take a middle ground, or straddle the fence, and we underestimate the bold patriotism and love of an open stand of the people of the 43d judicial district if we hold they will permit a candidate to succeed the best judge in Texas as to slide and glide along in this contest without taking some interest for or against the saloon. We understand the people have a right to demand a position in the man seeking votes at this particular time. Has Jack county a candidate in the field? Is he for, or against the saloon?

Texas Growing.

When the government completes the Panama canal and the plans for the improvement of the Texas harbors are fully consummated, our industrial horizon will be greatly widened and we will be brought face to face with conditions which will force us to enlarge our ideals of the commercial destiny of Texas. Faith is a good thing in government, but work is better and we should prepare to meet conditions as they unfold to us like the ten wise virgins of the Scripture—with our lamps trimmed and burning. God, the government and outside capital have done everything possible for Texas, and if we will only meet them half way we will soon build up a civilization that surpasses anything on the globe.

To Prohibition Chairmen of Wise County

A general prohibition rally will be held throughout the county on Sunday July 9th, 1911.

You are requested to prepare programs for the occasion with appropriate songs, recitations and speeches and make it a banner day for the cause of righteousness and against the conscienceless saloon.

JOHN G. GOSE,

County Chairman.

Senator Paynter is down and out of the senatorial race in Kentucky, the result of too much Lorimer. Paynter is one of the men who stood up for the Illinois senator, and now the good people of "Old Kentucky" are repudiating him in style. Ollie James, a democrat of the old school, will take the seat to be vacated by Paynter.

With the subscription price of the Messenger within the reach of all, it is positively outlandish to see a citizen here and there borrow his neighbor's paper. And, there is the fellow who is too stingy to subscribe, yet, he wears out his shoes looking up the "sample copy" we occasionally hand out. Two representatives of the tightwad contingent all progressive citizens despise.

People visiting the mechanical department of a newspaper plant should never handle the type and "monkey" with the machinery, and this above all, don't hang over the compositor's case and read his copy. Come to see us any old time, the latch string dangles on the outside, but don't pi our type, handle the press machinery and proof-read our copy.

If all indications are not out of plumb and the rumors and reports are worth a continental rap, this old state will be rocked from center to circumference, and from the middle seventeen and a half different ways on July 22. And if these same indications, etc. etc., hold up under the strain the big busy commonwealth will go dry by a nice, neat majority. But, remember, we lay no claim what ever to being a prophet—we are merely handing you the package as it comes to us.

T. N. Jones, of some fame as a contributor to the daily press, is rampant on the trail of Editors Johnston of Houston, and Ousley of Fort Worth. Mister Jones is a pro from the ground up, all of which we greatly admire, but we want him to stay hitched after the present contest is over. Jones said many unkind things about Cone Johnson, who splendidly survived the attacks, and we guess Johnston and Ousley will come through in an amiable condition.

That was red liquor working on the fellow who used abusive language in addressing "VanZandt" Monday evening while he was being escorted out from Fort Worth. When whiskey makes a big, double-fisted fellow insultingly abuse a miserable wretch who is handcuffed, helpless and in the hands of the law he is charged with outraging, the stuff should be removed from his reach. This man, VanZandt, may be as mean as the devil and guilty of all the charges laid at his door, and then some; yet, he is, by "a rule of reason" entitled to at least humane consideration, and a man who so far forgets himself and curses a helpless creature, though he be a swindler of the first water, is making the use of whiskey dangerous to the safety of shackled criminals. While Sheriff Faith and Detective Boyd were accompanying "VanZandt" to Decatur a big, burly stranger, filled to the brim with dime whiskey, nicker beers and a cheaper grade of offensive bluster, hurled a filthy epithet at the prisoner as the train pulled out of Fort Worth.

Hog Club Meeting

The Boys' and Girls' Hog club will meet at the courthouse in Decatur at 2 o'clock p. m., on Saturday, July 8, and we wish a good crowd on that day, and earnestly request all members be present. We want to have a rousing good meeting. Speakers for the day: H. T. Greene, "Hog vs. Cotton," C. C. Bell, "The Hog a necessary adjunct on the Farm," A. B. Fullingim, "Squibs at Random," E. E. Florida, "Alfalfa and the Hog," D. B. Gilliland, "The Dairy Products," with the hog on the side.

JOHN B. McCRACKEN

Pres. Boys' and Girls' Hog Club.

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To Those
With Money
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THE days of the month present no terror to those who with sufficient foresight, have started a bank account, for, regardless of the day when an obligation falls due, they may meet it with equanimity, so the morrow is always a day of joy.

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DECATUR, TEXAS



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: Pastor Russell's Sermon :



PASTOR RUSSELL'S SPECIAL TRAIN HIS ADDRESS TO BIBLE STUDENTS.

Zionism the Hope of the World.

Two Zions and Two Classes of Zionists, but All Parts of the Great Divine Arrangement For the Blessing of the World and Its Uplift From Sin, Degradation and Death, Is Pastor Russell's View.



San Francisco, Cal., June 25.—Pastor Russell addressed large audiences twice today at the Golden Gate. He addressed a convention of the "International Bible Students Association" in session here. He has been making a sort of continental tour, including Indianapolis, St. Louis, Kansas City, Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Denver, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, Pasadena and Santa Cruz. In all these cities local branches of the "I. B. S. A." invited him and made arrangements for public addresses. A train-load of Bible Students are with him—about one hundred and fifty in all.

Meetings are to be held returning at Sacramento, Portland, Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver, Calgary, Winnipeg, Duluth, Buffalo and Toronto. The scheme is a novel and a benevolent one; for surely what he has undertaken and is carrying out is not a lazy man's burden.

The Earthly Zionism.

Speaking from the text, "The Law shall go forth from Mt. Zion and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem" (Isaiah 11, 3), Pastor Russell declared that Christians had inadvertently misappropriated to themselves many promises of the Scriptures which are not wholly theirs. Christian creeds and theories have surmised that, through the rejection of Jesus, all Jews dying in unbelief of Messiah were foreordained to an eternity of torture because of that unbelief in the Only Name.

A more careful study of the Bible, he declared, is showing Bible Students the error of this position. Jews who do not accept Jesus as their Savior and who do not become followers in His steps in the "narrow way" will indeed fall of attaining a place with Jesus in his Throne of glory. They will fall to become joint-heirs with Him in His glorious Messianic Kingdom. They will fail to become mem-

bers of the spiritual Seed of Abraham, respecting whom St. Paul said, "If ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's Seed and heirs according to the promise (Galatians 3, 29).

The Heavenly Zionism.

The Zionism of the past eighteen centuries has been of the heavenly kind. It has been calling and inspiring to loving zeal, obedience and activity such as have the "hearing ear," the heavenly calling to joint-heirship with Messiah. This glorious privilege is about to end because the full number predestinated of the Lord will soon have been completed. Meantime, the Pastor and others of God's consecrated people should be Zionists in the highest sense of the word and, laying aside every weight and every besetting sin, each should strive to make his "calling and election sure" to a place in the Heavenly Zion—the Kingdom of Messiah.

It will be from this Mt. Zion, the spiritual Kingdom of Messiah, that the Law will go forth during the thousand years of the Messianic reign; the great Judge and Law-giver of the world will be the glorified Redeemer; and His associates, in His various offices of Prophet, Priest, King, Judge and Mediator, will be the faithful Zionists of the present time who follow in the steps of their Redeemer, delighting to lay down their lives for the Truth's sake and for the brethren's sake, in co-operation with the great Captain of their salvation, through the merit of His imputed righteousness.

The Word From Jerusalem.

As soon as Mt. Zion, the Kingdom, shall be completed by the glorification of the last member of the Church, it will be time for the Law to go forth therefrom for the correction of the world's affairs in righteousness—for the overthrow of every form of iniquity and everything contrary to the Golden Rule. In other words, when the Kingdom class shall have been completed by the elective process, which is the Divine arrangement of this Age, forthwith that Kingdom will come into power and the reign of righteousness will begin.

Zionism, amongst the Jews today, we believe the Lord is stirring up—a preparation of natural Israel for the great blessing which so soon will be at their door. As they begin to really appreciate the Land of Promise, the rich promises in connection with that land must become theirs, and the inspiration of those promises will lead their hearts back to the Lord in prayer and supplication and will lead the feet of a reverential, representative number of them back to the land itself, to which the Lord declared He would bring them; and that from thence they should be plucked up no more at all. Remember, in this connection, St. Paul's reference to the New Covenant and the time when it will go into force with Israel, as recorded in Romans xi, 27.

HE LOST BOTH WAYS.

Behind When He Did Not Eat, Worse Off When He Did.

The hotel visitor had taken his dinner elsewhere with a friend. When, on coming to pay his bill, he found himself charged with a day's board he protested vigorously. It was explained to him that the American plan adopted there was based strictly on a day rate and that if he chose to eat elsewhere it was his own lookout. The man, however, refused to be pacified and paid the bill under protest. Then, to every one's surprise, he asked if dinner was "still on." He was informed that it lasted until 9 o'clock in the evening.

"I've eaten one dinner," he exclaimed, "but I'm going to get my money's worth out of this house if I suffer all the torments of dyspepsia."

He rushed into one of the dining rooms, seized a bill of fare and ordered everything he could think of. When he finally reached his limit the waiter handed him a bill for a good round sum.

"What's that for?" he demanded.

"Your dinner, sir."

"But I have already paid for my dinner in my bill," protested the unfortunate man. "I am staying here on the American plan."

"Then you should have gone into the other dining room," said the waiter. "This part of the hotel is conducted on the English plan!"—Tit-Bits.

Meeting Requirements.

Mr. Plough, a farmer, was showing off his live stock to a visitor. When they came to the pigsty the visitor asked: "What is the matter with your pigs today? They seem ravenously hungry."

"Oh, it is just like this," replied the farmer. "We're not breeding them for exhibition, but just for eating. The people round here like streaky bacon, so we feed our pigs well one day and starve them the next."—Ideas.

Just Ahead of Wealth.

Kind Lady—Remember, my poor man, that fortune never chases any one.

Sandy Pike—Dunno about that, mum. I had \$2,000 chase me one time.

Kind Lady—You really mean it?

Sandy Pike—Yes, mum; it was in the shape of a prize bulldog, and I just made the fence by two feet!—Stray Stories.

Greatness and Smartness.

"Which would you rather be—truly great or really smart?"

"Smart, of course."

"Why?"

"Well, you may be truly great and no one ever know it, but if you're smart you can make people think that you're great."—Chicago Post.

Feeble Guardianship.

"I wonder," said the sweet young thing, "why a man is always so frightened when he proposes."

"That," said the chronic bachelor, "is his guardian angel trying to hold him back."—Stray Stories.

Perpetual Motion.

Blobbs—Why don't you consult a doctor about your insomnia?

Slobbs—What! And run up another bill? Why, it's because of what I owe the doctor now that I can't sleep.—Philadelphia Record.

Too Weak to Stand.

First Critic—Seems to me that the humor of Bronson's play is—er—well, dragged in, so to speak.

Second Critic—Dragged in! Shouldn't wonder! It's unconscious. — Boston Transcript.

Encouragement.

"I've took the pledge, Bill. I'm never goin' to touch another drop as long as I live."

"Oh, well, cheer up! Maybe you won't live long."—Life.

A Charming Woman

is one who is lovely in face, form, mind and temper. But its hard for a woman to be charming without health. A weak, sickly woman will be nervous and irritable. Constipation and kidney poisons show in pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. But Electric Bitters always prove a godsend to women who want health, beauty and friends. They regulate stomach, liver and kidneys, purify the blood; give strong nerves, bright eyes, pure breath, smooth, velvety skin, lovely complexion and perfect health. Try them. 50c at all druggists.

It Drew Trade.

Friend—Why do you have such misspelled and ungrammatical signs in your front windows?

Sharp Tradesman—People think I'm a dunce and come in to swindle me. Trade's just booming. — New York Weekly.

It is worse than useless to take any medicine internally for muscular or chronic rheumatism. All that is needed is a free application of Chamberlain's liniment. For sale by all druggists.

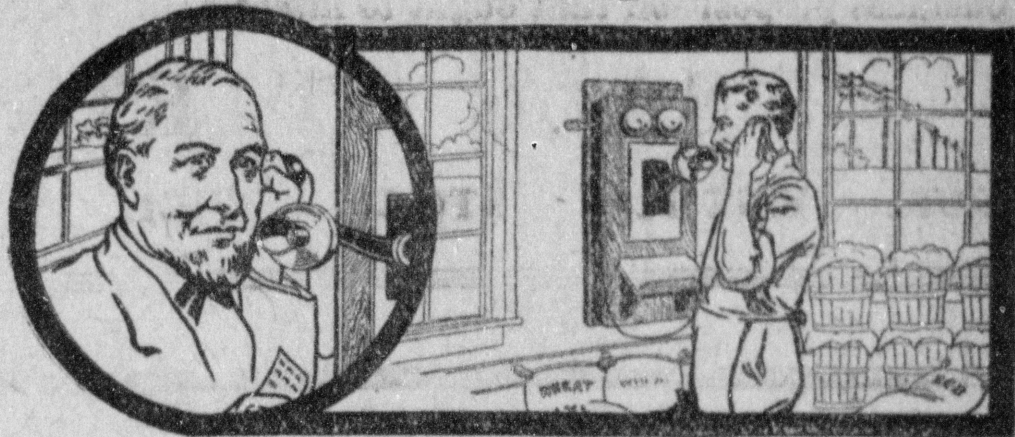
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NO useless trips to town for the progressive farmer. His Bell Telephone saves him all that.

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If you want to think of crisp winter weather and sparkling frost; if you want to forget the heat and the dust and the thirst, for real, cool comfort, drink

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As sparkling, wholesome and refreshing as a spring house icicle. So next time you're hot or tired or thirsty, if you're anywhere near a place that sells Coca-Cola, go in and give yourself a real treat.

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5c Everywhere



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after you take D. Kings New Life pills and you'll quickly enjoy their fine results. Constipation and indigestion vanish and fine appetite returns. They regulate stomach, liver and bowels and impart new strength and

energy to the whole system. Try them only 25c at all druggists.

The Wistaria.

In China wistaria leaves are eaten and also used in place of tea. The flowers are also eaten.

This Is Our Regular Season's Clearance

Of Men's High-Class Clothing

There's nothing particularly sensational about our summer clearance; it's the regular thing with us; and there are two classes of men who are likely to be interested in it—

One class is made up of men who wait for this time; a man who sets the limit of his clothes price at, say \$16.50, is usually willing to pay \$16.50 for a \$20.00 suit or get his usual \$16.50 quality for \$10.95.

Another class of men take advantage of such a clearance to get an extra suit or two for future use.

In either case we're glad to sell them the clothes; some are Hart Schaffner & Marx goods. We want to get our space cleared for the new fall goods coming in. We are willing to cut off our profits on the summer goods to accomplish this end. It's a plain business proposition that ought to interest you whoever you are or whatever clothes you have; a great thing for you and for us.

SALE STARTS SATURDAY, JULY 1st

OUR ENTIRE STOCK WILL BE DIVIDED INTO FOUR LOTS AS FOLLOWS

\$20 Suits for \$16.50

In this lot is every \$20.00 suit in the house, including serges, all the very latest shades of tan, brown and grays; every suit this season's newest style. The front of the coats are all made of hair cloth, shoulders hand-padded, button holes are hand-worked; in fact, these Hart, Schaffner & Marx clothes are the height of perfection in in ready-made clothing. Once you wear a Hart Schaffner & Marx suit you will have nothing else. Choice . . . **\$16.50**

\$15 Suits for 10.95

We have only to tell you that all of our \$15.00 and \$16.50 fancy and plain blue serge suits are in this lot to make it one of the most attractive bargain opportunities which you have ever had. Some of America's foremost clothes-makers, as for instance, Strouse Bros., who make "High Art Clothing" are represented in this aggregation of high-class clothing. Each and every suit was a grand value at the original price, but at these greatly reduced prices, they are without doubt the greatest bargains you ever saw. Choice . . . **\$10.95**

\$12.50 Suits for 7.85

Every suit in the house on which the former price was \$12.50 or \$10.00 is included in this lot. They are all this season's newest goods and the new shades of tan, brown and gray, are wonderfully represented. They are made right, too; the coats are hand-tailored, hand-made button-holes, and retain their shape as long as they last. The trousers are made in both regular and peg-top, belt loops and side buckles. We only ask that you come and see for yourself. Choice . . . **\$7.85**

\$7.50 Suits for 5.65

In this lot is every suit in the house that we formerly sold at \$7.50 and \$8.50. If you want a good suit for little money, this is your one opportunity. Among them you will find all the new shades of tans and grays, and they are made in the very latest styles. These suits were all most excellent values at regular prices and in many instances worth more than the prices asked, but we want to clear the decks for the fall campaign of clothes selling. We like to have all the summer goods out of the way. Choice . . . **5.65**

or young man's suit in the house is reserved—Everything goes

STORE

STORES in Texas and Oklahoma

The Messenger.

NEW DENVER SCHEDULE

Arrive at Decatur

NORTH BOUND

No. 3—9:25 a. m.
No. 1—11:18 a. m.
No. 5—8:32 p. m.
No. 7—11:55 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND

No. 8—5:18 a. m.
No. 6—6:18 a. m.
No. 2—4:28 p. m.
No. 4—3:15 p. m.

News of Town and County

"Superior" and "Albatross" flour

Suits at half price at St. Clair's.

Outler Gose was in Krum this week.

Money to loan on land. J. E. Boyd & Son.

Tom Laird has returned from Oklahoma.

Joseph M. Hill was in Dallas Saturday.

Will Cook was here from Boyd Wednesday.

Jim Davis was down from Alvord Wednesday.

Miss Josie Bailey is visiting in El-dorado, Okla.

W. L. Dallas will save you money on your supplies.

C. H. Miller was in Fort Worth on business this week.

Mrs. Rhoda Hawk, of Chico, is visiting in the city.

Dr. A. Q. Gentry was here from Alvord Tuesday.

Dr. Riley and wife were here from Paradise this week.

Mrs. A. S. Badger is visiting her sister in Gainesville.

If you want a loan on your land, see J. W. Bailey.

Lee and Tom Mann were here from Paradise Wednesday.

Regular \$1.50 self-wringing mops, 75 cents at Lillard & Co.

The summer school at the Baptist college closes tomorrow.

Fresh bread, cakes and pies every day at the City Bakery.

Attend the Majestic to-night, good pictures and good music.

Miss Christine Rogers has returned from visit to Houston.

Will Helm and family spent this week at Mineral Wells.

Regular \$1.50 self-wringing mops, 75 cents at Lillard & Co.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Arnett on Friday, June 23, a son.

Sam Ramsdale and family visited relatives in Paradise Sunday.

A big reduction in ladies' and childrens' hats at Bellah & Sons.

Mrs. V. E. Baldridge of Chico, is the guest of Mrs. M. B. Smith.

Mrs. W. A. Skinner is recovering from a severe attack of typhoid.

D. J. Moss is attending the seed crushers' meeting at Galveston.

Let Burton clean and press your suits. He will give you first class work.

Don't fail to visit the Saturday market at W. L. Dallas' grocery tomorrow.

Miss Ripple Frazer left Wednesday morning to attend a house party in Denton.

For the finest bread made use Superior and Albatross flour at W. L. Dallas.

The Misses Lutes, Arthur Fear and Kelly Vandiver were here from Fort Worth Sunday.

Silmon Hardwick, with the Citizens Light & Power Co., of Ft. Worth, was here Sunday.

Joe Woolaver was here this week from Denison, where he is working in the railroad shops.

Hon. L. D. Ratliff was in Dallas yesterday attending the state county attorneys association.

Your old suits made new at small cost at the new tailor shop, next door to Bunnells studio.

J. B. Gibbon and wife of Amarillo, after a visit to relatives here, are in Galveston for a few days.

The Ladies Reading club was entertained yesterday afternoon at the home of Judge Patterson.

H. G. Walker and wife, of Tarrant, Texas, were here this week the guests of Sam Ramsdale and family.

Mighty dry time this, and your house may burn before you see J. W. Bailey for insurance.

Last Friday evening the Flatwoods ball team was defeated by the Anneville team with the scores 2 to 1.

Go one of those little farm pump engines from Peninger, Helm & Dillehay.

Milburn Arnett and Sam McMillan heard Senator Vaughan speak at Paradise Wednesday night.

County Sheriff Chas. Workman is out over the county serving election appointments for the July contest.

A. W. Collier has returned from a few days stay in the Plainview country. He reports plenty of rain in that section.

K. D. Thomas and Milt. Fox have returned from a prospecting tour in the Panhandle country. They say they are well pleased.

Every farmer needs one of those farm pump engines sold by Peninger, Helm & Dillehay.

A. D. Rogers was in the city a few days this week. He has been making some telling pro speeches for the pro cause while traveling over the state.

Don't miss the bargains at the June Special Sale. Cut prices on all summer goods. Jones Dry Goods Company.

Miss Katherine Frazer is home from attending the C. I. A. at Denton. She was accompanied home by Miss Christine Worlwort, of Tyler.

Shirt waists and skirts—something new—and they are going at about one half price at Bellah & Sons.

The ladies of the prohibition clubs will serve free lunch in Decatur on July 22, the day of the prohibition election.

If you are out of water get a Fuller & Johnson pump engine from Peninger, Helm & Dillehay.

W. H. Ratliff, representing the Pullman Car company's legal department in this section, with headquarters in Amarillo, was in the city Sunday.

You will be surprised to note the improvement in the pictures at the Majestic. Best line ever shown here.

Don't fail to see those \$1.75 and \$2.00 misses' and childrens' straws at Bellah & Sons for \$1.35.

Alta Vista ice cream with strawberry, pineapple and cherry fruits, nuts and chocolate every day at the City Bakery.

County Judge Allison this week called the commissioners together for the purpose of making election judges appointments.

A few more of those pretty white dresses left at Bellah & Sons, and remember that we are selling them at wholesale prices. Better hurry.

Senator Vaughan spoke on prohibition here last Monday to a large crowd and his speech was well received. He is a very fine speaker and is doing much good.

Prof. Ben Short and family, of Hereford, are here for a month's visit with homefolks. Prof. Short has been re-elected superintendent of the Hereford schools.

Among those who attended the examining trial of W. C. Duckworth here Tuesday were J. M. Portwood, A. Green, W. M. Koonce, Geo. Arrington, J. T. Gardenhire, of Boyd.

See the Messenger's line of calendars; the best line ever displayed in Decatur, and the prices are all a little lower than the big city houses have been furnishing them to you.

The small child of Alf Fullington drank a quantity of coal oil yesterday and for a time was in a dangerous condition. Late reports are that the child is out of danger.

Decatur Ice & Vault Co., capital stock 500,000; cheap ice at the store of M. D. Sellars, on East Main street; J. W. Malone, Pres., M. D. Sellars, salesman.

Quite a number of Decatur Woodmen attended the unveiling of the monument of deceased Sovereign Wash Wheelis at Jonestown last Sunday. Attorney Robert Carswell delivered an oration.

The girl baby of Mr. and Mrs. John Branch happened to a serious accident last Tuesday while playing with some matches. The child's dress caught fire and she was painfully burned before the flames were extinguished by Mrs. Branch. We are glad to report the baby doing well today.

You readily admit that the Messenger "covers" the big county news, and it is our business to give it to you. There's a reason for saying the Messenger has more than three times the circulation in this community than any other paper published in Decatur. A democratic paper published in the interest of Wise county people.

We have purchased the laundry agency in this town and are now representing the Wichita Laundry Co. Prices right and satisfaction guaranteed. Basket leaves Tuesdays. All laundry called for and delivered. Phone S. W. 137. Dickson & Smith.

Mrs. T. J. McMurray entertained her young friends, members of the WeDelve club, at her home Tuesday evening. One of the largest crowds in the history of this popular club was in attendance and all present report a delightful evening. Mrs. McMurray is one of the most popular ladies in the city among the young people and they appreciate her home gatherings.

Paradise ball team came here Monday and played the Decatur team. In the last of the ninth when the score was 7 to 8 in favor of Paradise, the visitors quit the game, alleging that a Decatur runner cut the bases, which was not noticed by the umpire, who was watching a play at first base. The umpire announced the game forfeited to Decatur by score of 9 to 0. The visitors played by far the best ball, and their pitcher, Albritton struck out 13 men. The locals made about 15 errors, which accounted for all but two scores. Renshaw only gave up five hits, while Decatur pounded Albritton for nine safeties.

T. J. McMurray and Steve Gose went to Park Springs yesterday.

The best ball game of the season was played here Wednesday, when Decatur defeated Rhome by 3 to 2. It was a good clean game and belonged to anybody up to the eighth. The score was tied in both fourth and fifth, and not until the eighth was the locals able to put across the winning run. Decatur's runs were made by Lillard, J. Renshaw and Sandusky. Decatur's six hits were made by Lillard, Fields, J. Renshaw, Donaldson, Patterson. Rhome's runs were made by Reed and Hudnel; Rhome's five hits by Young, Reed, Benson, Morris. Struck out by Renshaw 14, by Morris 11. Batteries, Decatur, Renshaw and Renshaw; Rhome, Morris and Benson. Decatur goes to Rhome today for a game.

Now is the time you want your money to buy double its value. See our circular and prices of our June Special Sale. We are making the prices—we are selling the goods—bargains! bargains! Jones Dry Goods Company.

Miss Anna Lee Dillehay and Mr. Silas Morris were married last Sunday morning at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dillehay, Rev. J. L. Ward, pastor of the First Baptist church, performing the ceremony. Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for a short visit to relatives of the groom in Ft. Worth. The bride is a beautiful young lady, a prominent member of the Baptist church and has numerous friends. Mr. Morris has lived here all his life and is well known to the people as a sturdy, honest, hard working young man, and the Messenger joins the friends of Silas and his bride in wishing them a long, happy and prosperous married life. They are at home to their friends at the old residence of the groom's parents in Decatur.

Ed. Baumgaertner was in Fort Worth yesterday.

For real instructive and entertaining passtime attend the Majestic to-night and Saturday night. The pictures are first-class, the music is good and the room is cooled by electric fans. Go and enjoy yourself for 10c; stay as long as you like.

Old Fashion Party

If a laugh is worth 10c and 15c, the "Old Fashion Party" at the residence of Mrs. W. L. Dallas Monday evening, July 3, will hand you enough to make Rockefeller look like a "piker". You are invited to come and enjoy one of the really big times of your life. Remember the date and place—Monday, July 3, at the home of Mrs. W. L. Dallas in South Decatur. Come.

Card of Thanks

Especially does Mrs. E. H. Boone and family wish to express to Mr. and Mrs. Guinn Williams, of Decatur, their heart felt thanks for caring for the dead body of husband and father. And also to all the good people of Decatur who were so nice to do all they could. Our Great Father above will reward you for your kindness.

Mrs. E. H. Boone and family.
Ell, Texas.

Land Owners and Buyers

If you desire to sell your land at good prices or to purchase land or city property in Decatur or Wise county see K. D. Thomas. He has a number of good propositions and is in a position to obtain the best prices for your land. K. D. THOMAS, Decatur, Texas

Anti-Pro Speaking

Hon. C. C. McDonald, secretary of state, will speak in the cause of anti-prohibition at the following places and dates: Pringle, Thursday, June 29; Bridgeport, at night; Sunset afternoon of 30th; Bowie at night; Decatur Saturday afternoon July 1st; Alvord at night.

NOTICE

Owing the continued serious illness of my partner, Dr. R. A. Kookan, and the volume of business our Ft. Worth office is carrying, it will be impossible for me to fill my next regular appointment, August 4 and 5. If you have any trouble demanding immediate attention, notify me at Ft. Worth, Western National Bank bldg. Respectfully, C. B. Simmons.

The uniform success that has attended the use of Chamberlain's colic, cholera and diarrhoea remedy has made it a favorite everywhere. It can always be depended upon. For sale by all druggists.

THE DISTANT CLOUD.

You have a disagreeable duty to do at 12 o'clock. Do not blacken 9 and 10 and 11 and all between with the color of 12. Do the work of each and reap your reward in peace, so when the dreaded moment in the future becomes the present you shall meet it walking in the light, and that light will overcome its darkness.—George MacDonald.

DONT DO THAT! YOU'LL WANT IT SOME DAY



The money many men "fool away in one year would start them on the road to true independence. When one has once begun to travel this road by banking his money, he never turns back. It's a very comfortable feeling.

Make OUR Bank YOUR Bank

City National Bank
OF DECATUR, TEXAS

Capital and Surplus - - - \$90,000.00

ICE!

I am now selling ice at

40c Hundred Delivered

from my wagons. I will have a wagon on public square Saturday afternoons to serve farmers

W. E. MITCHELL

Is It Right?

Is it right to build churches to save men, asks a contemporary, and at the same time license shops that destroy them?

Is it right to license men to sell that which will make men drunk, and then punish the man for being drunk?

Is it right to derive a revenue out of a traffic which no decent man defends?

Is it right to license a man to make paupers and then tax sober men to take care of them?

Is it right to license a saloon to teach vice, and then tax people for schools to teach virtue?

Is it right to teach a boy to restrain his passions and then vote to license a place which ruins your neighbor's?

Is it right to preach justice and charity, and then to license a thing which robs the widow and orphans of their bread?—Michigan Issue.

Not So Much of a Joke.

The late Linley Sambourne, the famous Punch cartoonist, began life in an engineering works. When a young man he was always fond of playing practical jokes, and a French draftsman employed at the engineering works often became the butt of his humor. One day Sambourne hit upon the bright idea of nailing the Frenchman's hat down to his desk. He awaited the consequences in high glee. But when lunch time came instead of attempting to tug the hat from the desk, as expected, the French youth calmly took another hat from the peg and went out. Then the future cartoonist looked closely and saw that it was his own hat he had nailed to the desk.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Five Cents per line per week

GET IT for the reunion—a \$22 cook stove, practically new, for half price. See H. W. Barton, Decatur.

LOST—between Carswell's residence and McCracken's residence north of Decatur, one cream colored coat. Handkerchief in pocket marked W. Leave at Messenger office.

RAG CARPET—I have 30-yards new rag carpet which I will sell for 40c per yard.—Miss Mattie Smith, Independent, Phone.

IF you have well located land or a good business proposition for sale at reasonable price, write me at once enclosing self addressed stamped envelope for reply (owners only). Address, J. C. Ross, 816-2nd Ave So. Minneapolis, Minn.

FOUND—Gray coat, from Terrell Collins store; south of Decatur; memorandum book, sleeve holders in pocket. Owner call, pay for notice and get coat.

FOR SALE—12 thoroughbred short-horn cows and heifers. Also a bunch of pure-bred tip-top Duroc hogs. See G. W. SHORT, route 2, Decatur.

Ice Notice.

Starting Saturday, June 3, M. D. Sellars will handle ice at his store, where you can purchase it for 50 cts per hundred pounds, retail, and 35 cts wholesale. True weights when you purchase your ice. No trouble to be courteous to patrons.

Farm and Garden

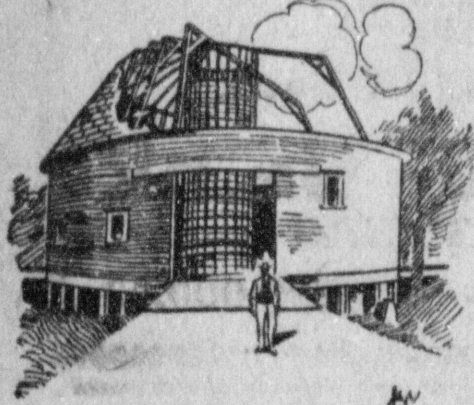
BUILD SILO IN THE BARN.

(Then You Have a Combination That Defies All Weather Happenings.)

Here is positively the latest and cleverest thing in the great silo question. The cement tank is built in the center of a circular barn, where its contents are not only protected against all weather conditions, but the animals to be fed are protected also.

The power plant in the up to date barn is easily and cheaply applied for cutting and handling the ensilage, and the whole arrangement seems to be a fine application of the old Latin phrase "multum in parvo."

The word silo comes from the French and means ditch or pit, and this method of keeping green forage seems to have been first used by the French people, but in the last few years the farmers of America have surpassed not only the French people, but all others, in developing this method of preserving green forage, and of course the American farmers and manufacturers



WEATHER PROOF SILO.

have made great improvements in the art.

The original making of ensilage was nothing more than in imitation of the dog that digs in the ground to cover up and keep a bone or something else he wanted to keep and eat at a later date. But, while the silo in the ground serves a great deal better than none at all, it falls short of being as satisfactory as those built above ground.

Of course the practical use of the silo is the keeping of forage in a succulent condition, and the most general adaptation is for the use of dairy cows. In this use of it the consumption of ensilage has increased very rapidly in the last ten years.

It may be that a chemical analysis does not prove that forage of any sort contains more nutriment than the same would have cut and cured in the regular way, but it has been the experience of all who have used good corn ensilage that it is the best method to preserve corn for cattle.

The digestive nutrients in forage of any sort seems to be kept in a more satisfactory condition as ensilage than any other way, and a far greater quantity per acre can be got from the land, so that any farmer who keeps many cattle will be certain to find that the silo is very necessary on his farm.

Cheers For the Glass Hen.

The "frost proof" hen may be coming, says the Rural New Yorker, but the glass hen is here, and one of her June eggs in January does very well. Water glass or silicate of soda is the best family preservative for eggs, and it will pay any farmer to breed the glass hen. Eggs laid in April, May and June are best for preserving.

Boil nine gallons of water. After it has cooled pour in one gallon of water glass and stir it thoroughly. Put in a stone jar and gently place in the mixture about thirty dozen eggs. Get them as close to laying as possible and have them clean. Put the jar in the cellar or a dark room, cover it over and let it alone until you want the eggs. For family use the glass hen is a wonder—in its way a good partner for a fella, vetch and the rest of the farm helpers.

CHEER OF THE FLOWER GARDEN.

The flower garden may not be as profitable as the vegetable garden, but will add cheer, comfort and contentment to the home. The rest and peace of mind afforded by strolls in the flower garden are not to be compared with money.

The Child Meant Well.

The governor of Maine was at the school and was telling the pupils what the people of the different states were called.

"Now," he said, "the people from Indiana are called Hoosiers, the people from North Carolina Tarheels, the people from Michigan we know as Michiganders. Now what little boy or girl can tell me what the people of Maine are called?"

"I know," said a little girl. "Maine

nes."—Popular Monthly.

These Hens Roost High.

Possibly the most remarkable poultry establishment in this part of the country is located in Boston on the roof of one of the leading hotels. An employee has been keeping successfully a flock of about twenty-five hens. Located in the very center of the city, the birds thrive and lay well and a flock of chickens is being raised to keep up a supply. The eggs are used in the hotel and certainly ought to be fresh enough to satisfy the most exacting guest.

ART IN FRUIT PACKING.

Make Berries Look Like Forms and Reap a Worth While Reward.

Here is shown the way to pack raspberries for the high class markets. Selected and fixed as they are, they are poems of nature, and the short haired farmer who gets them ready often makes more on a crate than the long haired poet makes on a perfectly good set of verses.

First, of course, you must have your perfect berry, and after that no care is too great to send it to market in



BERRIES RIGHT FOR MARKET.

tempting fashion. Clean, crisp boxes; tissue paper, preferably of a light green tint; concentric arrangement of the layers and the packing of the boxes in crates to prevent a single berry being crushed will bring Standard Oil dividends to any fruit grower.

Education and wealth have made the average consumer most fastidious. He or she cares no more to have a lot of mixed up berries ladled out in bulk. The cost is no object. The quality is the thing.

EDUCATED FARMERS.

Railroad King Says United States Can Never Have Oversupply of Them.

Few men in the world know more about farming as a wealth producer than does James J. Hill, the railroad king; hence this extract from an article of his in the Yale (college) News is well worth perusal.

"It seems probable to me," writes Mr. Hill, "that there are a good many hundred university graduates in this country every year who would be better off if they had shaped their studies with a view to agricultural industry and taken their diploma straight to the farm."

"There is not and never will be any oversupply of educated farmers."

"At the same time the man with a university education, supplemented by just such practical instruction as he would feel essential to any other occupation, is certain of success on the farm in proportion to his ability and industry."

"I do not think of any other occupation of which these sweeping assertions can be made. I do not know of any in which it is more possible to continue in connection with the main business of earning a living than enrichment and enlargement of the mind, which is the best gift of university life and its proper though seldom realized continuation after the university has been left behind."

"Except for those who have made the acquisition of wealth and power their definite aim in life I think the farm offers advantages superior to those of business or the professions."

Many things used in daily life have to be bought, but most of our troubles are homemades.

An Effective Fly Trap.

Every garbage can and swill barrel can be converted into a fly trap if the device invented by Dr. Clifton F. Hodge of Clark university biological department be adopted.

The can or barrel is fitted with a loose cover which permits the flies to enter. At the top of the cover is an opening leading to a wire screen fly trap, and it is a peculiar fact that most of the flies entering the can in search of food will choose to make their exit at the top of the can and thus go to their death in the trap.

This method is not patented and therefore may be used by everybody.

Orchard and Garden.

Don't sell all the good fruit. Keep some of the best for home use. Nothing is too good for "our folks."

The best remedy for pear and apple blight is to cut out and burn the affected twigs as fast as they appear.

Few persons realize to what extent fungus troubles are robbing the fruit

grower and farmer of the profits of his labor. Spray.

In the absence of a heavy fruit yield in the peach orchard pruning should be done to insure new growth of wood for future fruiting.

Remember that there is no fertilizer for the garden that compares with well rotted barnyard manure. Application may be made any time during the fall, even if the ground is not to be plowed until late.

All flowers are kept in bloom much longer and the flowers are larger if not allowed to form seeds. Pinch off every flower as soon as it begins to fade. This is especially true of sweet peas and pansies.

The same sun, rain and dew fall upon the orchard of Mr. Careful as upon that of Mr. Slack, but Mr. Slack gets few marketable fruits. More depends on man and methods than upon Maine or Montana.

It is a very good plan to mulch the rhubarb plants with a lot of cornstalks or coarse grass. This will protect the plants during the winter and also keep weeds from choking the plants if kept on after cultivation in the spring.

Questionable.

Briggs—I have made a will leaving my brain to the hospital and just got an acknowledgment from the authorities.

Lotty—Were they pleased?

Briggs—They wrote that every little helps.—Philadelphia Times.

Seems Possible.

Editor (looking over new reporter's manuscript)—You say here, "It was so cold that the air fairly cracked."

How can the air be made to crack?

New Reporter—Well, it might be done with a windbreak.—Chicago Tribune.

His Method.

"Senator, what is the secret of your success in politics? How do you manage to beat down the opposition?"

"Young man, I don't try to beat 'em down. I pay 'em what they ask."—Kansas City Journal.

Discreet.

"I always choose the lesser of two evils."

"Do you?"

"Yes. When I met my wife I was engaged to a much bigger girl."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Worse Yet.

"The fashion news writers say that women this spring will wear helmet hats."

"Great Scott! Will they use spears for hatpins?"—Baltimore American.

One Method.

"Do you always keep smiling about your daily duties?"

"Now; I look grouchy. Then I ain't asked to do no extra work."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

A Good Time to Call.

"Mrs. Brown dropped their phonograph this morning and ruined it."

"Is that so? Let's go over and call on them tonight."—Detroit Free Press.

Wins Fight For Life

It was a long and bloody battle for life that was waged by James B. Mershon, of Newark, N. J., of which he writes: "I had lost much blood from lung hemorrhages, and was very weak and rundown. For eight months I was unable to work. Death seemed close on my heels, when I began, three weeks ago, to use Dr. King's new discovery. But it has helped me greatly. It is doing all that you claim." For weak, sore lungs, obstinate coughs, stubborn colds, hoarseness, lagrippe, asthma, hay-fever or any throat or lung trouble its supreme. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

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"She's very proud of her child."

"Doesn't she know that mere children are unfashionable?"

"But I believe she has some sort of modified baby."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Chillsome.

"I once proposed to a girl in a conservatory."

"With what result?"

"A lot of expensive plants were nipped by frost."—Washington Herald.

The Barrier.

"When their eyes met, what happened?"

"Nothing. Her bat brim kept him twenty inches from her mouth."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

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The News in the County

Rhome

Mrs. John West spent last week in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christian, of Slidell visited in Rhome Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Vanmeter were guests of James Bowlin and family at Paradise Sunday.

Mrs. A. C. Bennet is in Decatur.

Mrs. J. F. Thurmond is visiting in Henrietta.

Miss Mattie Neel is spending the summer with her brother, Levi Neel, at Brownwood.

Mrs. Chas. Rowland and daughter, of Ft. Worth, were guests of Mr. B. Morris and wife last week.

Mrs. G. W. Watkins, of Hereford, arrived Friday for a visit to her son, H. I. Watkins.

Mrs. Johnson and children, of Seymour are visiting friends and relatives here.

Miss Gladys Bishop, after spending some days with friends here, returned Saturday to her home at Venus.

Mrs. B. W. Logan and Miss Maggie Barker were in Decatur last week.

Mr. H. H. Hambricht accompanied by his brother, B. F. Hambricht has returned from Tennessee.

Mr. Gardner and wife, former residents of Rhome, were here from Oklahoma last week.

Mr. Hiram Hambricht and wife have returned to Whitesboro.

A. B. Vanmeter and little son were in Ft. Worth Sunday.

Mrs. John Scott, who has been very ill, is reported much better.

Mrs. Maggie Maddox and children arrived from California Tuesday, guests of Mrs. Maddox's parents, Mr. Mark Oats and wife.

Jake Vanmeter is here from Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Asberry Rivers has returned to Celina after spending several days with Mrs. Rivers parents.

Jim Easter, one of Uncle Sam's sailor boys is home on a furlough.

Miss Ophelia White has returned from a visit of several weeks in Fort Worth.

R. F. Spencer Jr., of Decatur, was the guest of M. W. Burch Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. L. W. Renshaw and wife visited Mr. Renshaw's parents in Decatur Sunday.

Mr. W. R. Tilley and wife were guests of Jim Day last week.

Mr. Clarence Browning and wife, and Miss Carra Browning were Avondale visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Hatler came down from Decatur Saturday.

Mrs. Earl Barr, of Fort Worth was here Sunday.

The Twentieth Century club held their last meeting for the season Thursday afternoon with Mrs. J. P. Hill. The next meeting will be in September with Miss Addie Hambricht.

The faculty of Rhome public school for 1911-12 comprises: Prof. Strother, principal; Miss Poly Harrison, 1st assistant; Miss Edna Wolf, second assistant, Miss Willie Ford, primary.

Mrs. A. B. Vanmeter and Mamie Gill entertained the Home Mission society of the M. E. church last Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Vanmeter. The color scheme was carried out delightfully in purple and gold decorations. After the guests were welcomed, "Home Sweet Home" was sung followed by a reading from Mrs. W. W. Morris. Then the hostess announced a "handkerchief contest." A small clothes line was drawn across the room and a prize offered to the couple who could pin frozen handkerchiefs on the line in the shortest length of time. Mrs. C. J. Vanmeter Jr. and Mrs. Pugh Hambricht being the successful contestants received the handkerchiefs. The contest prizes, dainty purple and gold clothes pin bags going to Mrs. Wright and Prunty. The contest was amusing and caused much merriment. After the cards were passed around the guests on which bible questions were written. Mrs. T. B. Stephens answering the questions correctly received the prize, a tea apron on which the society monogram was was daintily

embroidered. Fruit punch and cake were served to the following: Mesdames, T. M. Poteet; C. J. Vanmeter; Thomas; G. R. Hogue, Jno. West; W. W. Morris; T. B. Stephens; D. P. Shaw; J. Gallop; John Prunty; Wright; Pugh Morris; C. E. Martin; C. E. Shaw; E. E. Smitherman; Mamie Gill and A. B. Vanmeter.

Big Prohibition Rally

Bridgeport will hold a state wide prohibition rally on July 5th, at the picnic grounds. All clubs in the county are specially requested to send delegations of enthusiastic workers on that date. Lots of good things to eat plenty of good water and a good time generally is promised by the committee. John G. Gose, Chairman.

Paradise

Mr. Henry Brackett, of Garland is here.

Charlie Workman, of Decatur, was here Sunday.

Rev. W. W. Nee Smith, of Springtown, filled his regular appointment at the Baptist church Saturday and Sunday.

Leo Melton, of near Decatur, was here Sunday afternoon.

Carl Read, Henry Pearson, Bonnie and O. C. Howard are in Memphis, Texas.

Senator Vaughn, of Texarkana, spoke here on prohibition Wednesday night.

Springtown and Paradise ball team played an interesting game here Saturday afternoon, the scores being 18 to 19, in favor of Paradise.

Embry Williams, of near Decatur, was here Sunday afternoon.

Miss Bertha Middleton, of Bridgeport, is the guest of relatives near town this week.

Mr. Gregory, of Oklahoma, is the guest of his son, John.

Mrs. Oscar Phillips and little daughter, of Decatur, are here the guests of Oliver Read and wife.

Dr. Fyke, manager of the Springtown ball team and while here he received a telegram from Amarillo summoning him to that place. He took the evening train for that place.

After a long illness the aged father of George and Joe Taylor, died at the home of his son, Joe, last Friday night. Many friends extend their sympathy for the family in their sad trouble.

Mr. Tom Mann shipped a car load of hogs to Fort Worth Tuesday.

The woman of to-day who has good health, good temper, good sense, bright eyes, and a lovely complexion, the result of correct living and good digestion, wins the admiration of the world. If your digestion is faulty Chamberlain's stomach and liver tablets will correct it. For sale by all druggists.

Arkansaw

W. D. Carver made a business trip to Springtown last Wednesday.

A nice shower fell here last Thursday evening.

Mr. Blair and family, of Springtown, visited at Jeff Ervins last week.

Jno. Koeniger and family visited relatives in Paradise Thursday.

Tom Halcomb was a business visitor in Paradise Saturday.

Henry Halcomb, of Denton creek, visited relatives here Friday and Saturday.

Pete Ervin, Miss Gladys Carver, Cliff Albritton, Miss Lenora Story, Arthur Kennedy and Miss Lucine Albritton attended the social at Tom Brandon's in Flatwoods Friday night.

Cliff and Cal Albritton and J. B. Green represented Arkansaw in Decatur Tuesday.

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Sweetwater

Rev. Herbert Witston filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Terrell and Clarence Meek left last week for a visit to Oklahoma.

Uncle Jim Watson is very sick at this writing.

Miss Myrtle Richardson, of Fort Worth, spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Richardson.

The young people enjoyed a singing at the home of Edgar Renshaw Sunday night.

On last Sunday afternoon Mr. Clifton Cook and Miss Maude Boydston were married at the home of Rev. M. B. Johnston in North Decatur. After the ceremony the young couple left for the bride's home where a pleasant supper was given to their relatives and friends. Both bride and groom were well known through out this country and have many friends, who wish them much happiness.

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After reading the public statement of this fellow-suffer given below, you must come to this conclusion: A remedy which cured years ago, which has kept the kidneys in good health since can be relied upon to perform the same work in other cases. Read this:

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The endorsement referred to by Mr. Davenport was given on April 17, 1903 and was as follows: "There was an extreme soreness across the small of my back which bothered me when I stooped or straightened and it was particularly troublesome in the morning when I first got up. The trouble came on gradually and I thought it would disappear, but this was not the case. One day when talking to a friend, he advised me to try Doan's Kidney Pills, saying that they had cured him of a similar trouble. Short use of this remedy cured me.

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Patrice—Yes, and over here they cover their faces down to their mouths.—Yonkers Statesman.

Sympathy.

"Poor Machin has lost his wife." "I'm not surprised. He's so absent-minded he'll lose everything he has."—Pele Mele.

He and She.

He sang to her. When I am dead, you'll find it hard. Said he. To ever find another man Like me.

And then she sang to him: What makes you think, as I suppose You do, I'd ever want another man Like you? —Ladies' Home Journal.

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Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Wise, by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the honorable district court of Wise county, on the third day of June 1911, by Lory D. White District clerk of said county against E. D. Fox, for the sum of four thousand four hundred and sixteen dollars (\$4,416.00) dollars and costs of suit, in cause No. 3518 in said court styled M. S. Stoutall, D. S. Carpenter and placed in my hands for service, I, Sam Faith as sheriff of Wise county, Texas, did, on the 5th day of June 1911 levy on certain real estate, situated in Wise county, described as follows, to-wit: beginning at the southwest corner of the Richard Hope survey, thence east 75° 1-2 vrs a pile of rock in the W. B. line of Chas. Frazier survey thence south 767 vrs a corner on the W. B. line of the Antonio Vazquez survey; thence west 788 1-2 vrs for a corner, thence north passing the southwest corner of the Richard Hope survey 22 vrs west of same continuing on to a point in the N W line of said Hancock survey, thence north 60 degrees, east to most northern point in said Hancock survey thence south 350 vrs to beginning containing 108,65 100 acres, of land, one acre of above excepted which is now occupied by F. W. & D. C. R. R. Co. as right of way, and levied upon as the property of said E. D. Fox and on Tuesday, the fourth day of July, 1911, at the court house door of Wise county, in the city of Decatur Texas, between the hours of ten A. M. and four p. m. I will sell said real estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said E. D. Fox by virtue of said levy and said order of sale, and in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale in the Wise County Messenger a newspaper published in Wise county. Witness my hand this 5th day of June 1911 Sam Faith sheriff Wise county, Texas.

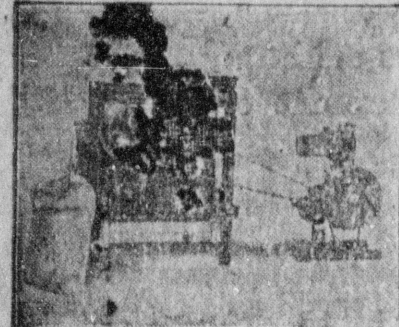
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THE EIGHTH GIRL

She Made an Interesting Addition to the Other Seven.

By BELLE MANIATES.

When John Walker was left a widower, although he was in the prime of manhood, with a comfortable income and good habits, it was universally predicted that he would never win a second wife.

For what manner of woman—that is, of the type fastidious John Walker would fancy—could contemplate the prospect of stepmothering seven daughters ranging in age from pert thirteen to precocious four?

If the children had been boys John Walker's prospects would have been more favorable, for a squad of boys can be turned aside, but seven girls to hear and heed until they should come to an age when they would with their lords depart!

John Walker was domestic, and after two years of widowhood he began to yearn for a goddess of his hearth and home. The affairs of his household had not been administered so badly since his wife died. The cook was capable and honest and had been reigning over the kitchen for eight years. The seamstress who had always spent a month each spring and autumn "sewing up" for the young Walkers continued her visits, with the added responsibility of selecting and purchasing material.

The eldest girl, Madge, was promising to be quite a practical little housekeeper, but John Walker knew that a wise feminine hand and heart were essential to the guidance of his active, romping, unruly troop of youngsters.

He began to call assiduously upon Cecilia Rayne, a young woman renowned for her intellect, practicality and excellent judgment. She accepted his attentions, though reservedly and with a general air of careful consideration and "weighing in the balance."

His intentions were regarded as unmistakable when he invited her, with her mother, to visit his home and drink tea one afternoon. The children on this fateful day had never been so noisy or unattractive. Even Madge was boisterous and untidy.

John Walker did not know that it was malice aforethought on the part of his offspring. Madge was precocious and acute eared. She had heard it said that John Walker would marry just as soon as he could find any one to have him. She had sized up Miss Rayne as a home ruler, and in the mother of Miss Rayne she scented a natural enemy.

So she instigated and encouraged rebellion in her many sisters, and their deportment carried the day. John

walker escorted his guests to their home and returned with the firm intention of administering unto his own something stronger than rebuke.

He found his flock white robed and sweet voiced, awaiting with uplifted mouths his good night caress, and he could not bring himself to mar their slumbers by so much as a word.

"If she only could have seen them as they are now!" he thought, with a regretful sigh.

Madge's busy little brain worked overtime that night on the solution of the stepmother problem. A day or two after the eventful visit of Miss Cecilia Rayne, as John Walker was passing a little park he met two or three kindergarten teachers walking with their young charges. He gave them but a casual glance, when his attention was attracted by a delighted cry of "Papa!"

The littlest and last child in the procession let go of the hand of the young girl with whom she was walking and rushed up to him.

"Why, Tot!" he said, taking her up in his arms.

Then he looked hesitatingly at the young teacher, who was walking on slowly.

"You must be Mr. Walker," she said naively. "I am Tot's kindergarten teacher."

"Are you?" he asked interestedly. "I didn't know that Tot attended a kindergarten."

"Didn't you?" she asked anxiously. "Madge brought her to school yesterday and entered her as a pupil. I supposed it was your wish."

"Of course it is," he replied promptly. "Only I hadn't thought of it before. I am glad Madge is so wise."

"I've learned lots, papa. I'm going to prick you a card," assured Tot.

"Thank you, darling. Where is your school, Miss?"

"Wooden," she said, supplying the name. "The school is on the corner of Wood and Third streets, three blocks below. Are you fond of children, Mr. Walker?" she asked, looking up at the princess enthroned on his shoulder.

"Naturally," he said, with a whimsical smile.

She flushed and laughed a little.

"Come and visit our school some time, then."

"I will walk there with you now," he responded promptly, setting Tot down on the sidewalk.

The child instantly appropriated a hand of each guardian and skipped along between them.

"Who takes her to and from school?" he asked, remembering the automobiles and trolley cars.

"Madge has so far."

"Madge said you could stop for me."

Europe's Oldest House.

Count Matuschka Griffenklau recently convoked a conference of archaeologists in his house at Winkel-on-the-Rhine. The conference unanimously expressed the opinion that the count's is the oldest house still occupied in Europe. It was formerly the dwelling of the bishop of Mayence. Rabnus Maurus, who died there in 850—London Tit-Bits.

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H. P. A. Reunion

The old Confederates set apart and designated July 14th for Reunion of all fraternal associations desiring to meet at the grounds on that date.

The Wise county home protective association will meet in the forenoon of that day and cordially invites all members of the association to attend. An appropriate and pleasing program will be supplied, speeches made, papers read and etc.

The condition of the association will be fully explained, showing that it was never in a more prosperous time. The constitution has had material changes to the great benefit of the association. The law specially favors fraternal insurance and has thrown around its benefits, assessments and surplus such safeguards that secures the members in its distribution. Each member obtains insurance at actual cost. No high salaries.

It is hoped that many members will be present at this reunion, and that each one will take it on himself to secure at least one application for membership, if not at this meeting, some time during the year. The association is greatly strengthened and insurance cheapened by constantly adding new blood to the membership.

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The term "filthy lucre" originated in Scotland and referred in the first place to the well worn one pound notes of that country.

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